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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated June 27, 2005, the time for responding thereto being on or before September 27, 2005.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.